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Devar Shumway
1025 South 200 East
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Re: Notice of File Closure for Small Mining Project, Brown Claims, S/037/089, San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Shumway:

On August 25, 2000, we received your notice of intention to commence small mining operations for the Brown Claims, located in the NW1/4 of Section 15, T36S, R20E, San Juan County, Utah. The notice is incomplete and the permit fee was not included; therefore, the notice cannot be accepted as submitted. The notice also stated that only assessment work had been done. In a recent telephone conversation with you, you stated that the United States Forest Service (USFS) was requesting that you post a \$3600 bond before you could begin work on this project. The bond was to cover site and road reclamation which was done prior to you acquiring the claims. You informed me that you would not be posting a bond for this project and would not be commencing mining operations at this time. You requested that we close our file.

This letter is to notify you that the Division file, S/037/089, for the Brown Claims will now be closed. You are hereby released by the Division from further mining or reclamation responsibilities at this site. You are not required to pay the \$100.00 permit fee as recently requested. If you wish to conduct any future mining related activity in this area, you will need to submit a new notice to the appropriate agency(s), pay the Division permit fee, and receive written approval(s), prior to creating any disturbance. *File closure by the Division does not relieve you of any responsibility on the claims that the USFS may require.*

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this action, please contact me at (801) 538-5382.

Sincerely,

Doug Jensen
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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cc: Mark Sommer, USFS, Manti-LaSal NF
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